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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Applicant : Kuznetsov et al.  
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Filed : November 6, 2001  
For : METHOD FOR TRANSFERRING  
WAFERS AND RING  
Examiner : Joseph A. Dillon, Jr.  
Group Art Unit : 3651

Commissioner for Patents  
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Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application are:

- (X) A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.
- (X) A PTO Form 1449 with two (2) references.
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